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The preceding items may not be very interesting reading matter to some of our people, but please remember that they are of immense interest to us. They are a necessary part of the business, the business end of the "business," the part that furnishes material and labor. If you will take your scissors and cut out these several items and paste them in a place for convenient reference you may save yourself and us much unnecessary annoyance.

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Personal Mention

Sister Simmons reports a very interesting and helpful Union Meeting recently held at Dunlaps, Indiana.

Brother Alexander Cousin reports five accessions to the church in Armstrong county as the result of Brother Bole's preaching.

According to the announcement by Brother Darling the new church building in Pittsburg will be dedicated May 12, 1901.

Since the holidays Brother Beachler has held two short series of meetings at Miamisburg, resulting in ten conversions. The work is prospering in his hands.

Brother Miller reports a very pleasant trip to Indiana, from which he returned on Monday night. He will have something to say about the journey next week.

Brother Furry informs us that he had a very pleasant time at Ankenytown, Ohio, over last Sabbath, where he preached Saturday evening, Sunday morning and evening, the Sabbath services being specially well attended.

Brother Eli Hoover writes encouragingly of the work in South Dakota. He is located at Trent and is well pleased with the location. Under date of March 20 he reports one confession, an item which was evidently overlooked at this end.

Those interested will please note that the address of brother J. L. Kimmel has been changed from Buckeye City, Ohio, to 806 South Broadway, Dayton, Ohio. Brother Kimmel writes that he is comfortably located and feels very much at home. The prospects are bright, he thinks, for the Brethren church in that city.

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All our readers will be glad to learn that Brother McCollough's health has very much improved, and that he expects to return home in a short time. Ashland College expects Brother McCollough here next year. He is a good student and a faithful servant.

The meeting at McVeytown, Pa., by Brother Hazlett closed with five accessions. The work at Salisbury, Pa., in charge of Brother Hazlett, is steadily growing, and the pastor is hopeful for a yet better work the coming year than the first which closed on Easter, April 7.

In the reprint from the Pittsburg Times in last week's EVANGELIST referring to the work of the pastor, Brother Darling, in the Pittsburg church, instead of "the first year," read the "past" year. Not the first, but the "past" year there were 28 accessions to the church.

Brother C. F. Yoder is now engaged in a series of meetings at Claypool, Ind., and reports one accession Monday night. On a postal card he says: "Brother George Carpenter has been called to the ministry by the Fair View, Ind., congregation. He is well qualified and has a stainless reputation among his own people. The call was unanimous."

Thru brother D. J. Myers we learn that the Homerville Sunday school has been reorganized with Geo. Drushol superintendent and Izola Frank, secretary. This school is open nine months in the year. In addition to the regular order they have added 40 copies of *The Angelus*. The school is a progressive one. Brother Jacobs is pastor.

Brother Keifer informs us that the Sunday school of the Fair Haven church was reorganized March 31, with a full corps of officers and teachers. This school closes during the first quarter of the year from January 1 to April 1. It is now open and will continue during the next nine months. Brother Charles Beekley has been elected superintendent, and sister Mary Garver, secretary.

It is with pleasure that we place before our readers such a thoughtful and helpful article as that by Brother Furry on the "Function of the Ministry." It is an able paper, one of the very best it has been our privilege to publish for a long time. We trust that every member of the Brethren church, and especially every minister will read it at least the second time. It is worthy of the very best we are able to say for it.

Brother Cassel and Brother Koontz are having an interesting discussion on the subject of temperance and other reforms. It is still a question as to what part a minister of the gospel and the Christian in general should take in these reforms. Some very interesting and helpful thoughts are being brought out, and we are not averse to the continuance of the discussion.

Now let every member of the church read brother D. C. Moomaw on "Carthage Must be Destroyed," a queer title as he suggests, but nevertheless applicable. Unless Rome can destroy Carthage the fear was that Carthage will destroy Rome. Unless the Brethren church liberally endows its institutions and supports them it can not survive. This is not mere sentiment but solid fact.

Brother C. F. Yoder, last week, sent us the manuscript for his booklet. The title, as the reader will remember, is "Some Significant Tendencies of the Times." We have not had time to examine the manuscript and review of the booklet is reserved for the EVANGELIST after its publication which will not be long. It had been announced that the booklet by Brother Miller would be the next one issued, but as the manuscript for Brother Yoder's